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SUBJECT: EXTRADITION: OMER LUFTU TOPAL

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1. EMBASSY PROPOSES TO DELIVER FOLLOWING NOTE TO
MFA: THE EMBASSY OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA
PRESENTS ITS COMPLIMENTS TO THE MINISTRY OF FOREIGN
AFFAIRS AND HAS THE HONOR TO REFER TO MINISTRY'S
NOTE C 07-98 - 3/14867 OF SEPTEMBER 26, 1978 AND TO
THE PREVIOUS NOTES ON THE SUBJECT OF THE EMBASSY'S
REQUEST FOR THE PROVISIONAL ARREST FOR EXTRADITION OF
OMER LUFTU TOPAL.

WITH RESPECT TO THE EXTRADITION OF MR. TOPAL, THE
EMBASSY HAS BEEN INFORMED BY THE DEPARTMENT OF STATE
THAT THE DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE DECIDED ON SEPTEMBER 25
TO WITHDRAW ITS REQUEST FOR MR. TOPAL'S PROVISIONAL
ARREST FOR EXTRADITION, PENDING THE OUTCOME OF HIS
TRIAL IN BELGIUM. AT THAT TIME, THE EMBASSY WILL SEEK
THE VIEWS OF THE DEPARTMENTS OF STATE AND JUSTICE IN
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WASHINGTON AS TO THE ADVISABILITY OF ONCE AGAIN REQUESTING
MR. TOPAL'S EXTRADITION.

THE EMBASSY AVAILS ITSELF OF THIS OPPORTUNITY TO
RENEW TO THE MINISTRY THE ASSURANCES OF ITS HIGHEST
CONSIDERATION. END TEXT.

2. COMMENT: IN LIGHT OF FACT THAT TOPALS PROSECUTION
AND CONVICTION IN BELGIUM IS LIKELY, BUT BY NO MEANS

CERTAIN, EMBASSY BELIEVES FOREGOING NOTE GIVES US OPTION
TO RECONSIDER REQUESTING TOPAL'S EXTRADITION AT
LATER DATE IN EVENT HE IS ACQUITTED OR GIVEN LIGHT
SENTENCE.

3. PLEASE ADVISE ASAP. DECONTROL UPON RECEIPT. CHAMBERS

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